

BROKER CONTENT DENIES ACTING FOR PETER POWER.

Bought Stock for Copper Magnate Weidenfeld and Carried Accounts for Him—Bourke Cockran's Name Again Brought Into Northern Securities Merger Suit—Adjournment Forced by Absence of Witness.

After Broker Walter Content and his bookkeeper had told on the stand to-day that Northern Pacific stock bought by the firm of H. Content & Co. for Camille Weidenfeld was solely for the copper magnate, and that Peter Power was unknown to them, the hearing in the Northern Securities merger suit suddenly came to a halt.

Capt. Henry Stern, who was mentioned by Weidenfeld in his testimony, was to have been called as a witness but was not ready and an adjournment until to-morrow was taken.

Lawyer Lamb announced that he had again communicated with Fowor and that the latter would probably return from Canada next week and appear as a witness.

He also brought Bourke Cockran's name into the proceedings once more in seeking facts about American Tobacco stock.

Walter Content, of the brokerage firm of H. Content & Co., was called as the first witness but his testimony was not taken pending Lawyer Lamb's arrival.

Mr. Lamb bustled into the courtroom twenty-five minutes later. The other lawyers looked relieved. Mr. Lamb offered no explanation or apology.

Walter Content testified that he is a member of the firm of H. Content & Co., which is composed of himself and brother Henry, who is the Stock Exchange member. The witness denied that his firm ever had dealings with the absent Peter Power, or that the firm was aware of the existence of any individual named Peter Power.

Capt. Henry Stern, the witness said, was a mining engineer at No. 50 Broadway, and has a desk in H. Content & Co.'s office.

Not with Power.

"What connection do you know Capt. Stern has with the suit of Peter Power against the Northern Securities Company?"

"None whatever."

"Has your firm ever made payments to Capt. Stern which were charged to the account of Camille Weidenfeld?"

"Yes, \$2,000."

"What other payments?"

"None that I know of."

Shown the certificate of N. P. stock purchased at yesterday's examination by Camille Weidenfeld, the witness said it was purchased on Dec. 26, 1901, from a customer.

"From whom did you buy it?"

"I can't divulge the name; it has nothing to do with it."

"I must insist that you give the name."

"On advice of my counsel I refuse."

Mr. Guthrie did not press the question. He asked concerning the history of the stock.

Did Mr. Weidenfeld tell you when he purchased the stock that he wanted it for purposes of litigation?"

"He did not."

"Did he pay by check?"

"Yes, his check."

"Have you or your firm contributed to the expense of this litigation?"

"We have not."

"To whom have you made payments of cash to the account of Mr. Weidenfeld since December, 1901?"

"I can't recollect the books have shown."

"When did you last see Mr. Lamb in your office?"

"Ever converse with Mr. Lamb, Mr."



Weidenfeld or Capt. Stern as to this litigation.

"No, sir."

"Have you had any dealings with Ellsworth Ives Chapman?"

"I know him, but I only met him casually. I never had any dealings with him."

Asked as to Camille Weidenfeld's connection with the Metropolitan Street Railway litigation, the witness answered that H. Content & Co. had been plaintiffs in that action with Banker Camille Weidenfeld, who was a prominent figure in that action.

"Were you not plaintiffs in a suit against the American Tobacco Company?"

"No, sir."

Lawyer Lamb cross-examined the witness. He asked:

"Isn't it possible that a great many conferences could have occurred in your office without your knowledge?"

"Quite likely."

"What's all this?" said Mr. Lamb.

Lawyer Guthrie tried another tack.

"Did you not make a loan of \$19,100 to Mr. Ellsworth I. Chapman?"

"Yes."

"Did you not debit that loan to Camille Weidenfeld?"

"I did not."

"Did Mr. Chapman give you a note?"

"Yes."

"What security did you receive?"

"Great Northern stock."

"Was it endorsed by Mr. Weidenfeld?"

"No—nobody endorsed it."

"What was the market value of the Great Northern stock when you made this loan to Mr. Chapman?"

"One ninety's."

"The full market value?"

"Yes."

Protection Not Sought.

"Did you not seek protection from market fluctuations?"

"No, at times we take precautions."

"Can you refer to a similar transaction on your books where you made a loan to the amount of the full market value?"

"I cannot remember now—there were some."

"What did you know of the responsibility of this Mr. Chapman?"

"I don't recall."

"Wasn't it extraordinary to give the full market value?"

"He must have been recommended."

"Can you recall the reference he gave?"

"No, sir."

"Ever had prior transactions with Mr. Chapman?"

"Yes, since."

"Does Mrs. Sofia Bath Chapman have the claim?"

"It is in her name. I met her once when she came to the office to endorse the certificate."

Lawyer Guthrie strove determinedly in vain to force the witness into making

an admission tending to show that this firm had knowledge of the fact that the stock was transferred in the name of Mrs. Chapman for the purpose of enabling her to become a party to actions against the Northern Securities Company.

The witness denied point blank that he possessed such knowledge.

Cockran's Stock.

In the hands of Lawyer Lamb the subject of Content & Co.'s holdings of Bay State Gas was touched upon in this wise:

"Did your concern not send out a circular letter to the stockholders of the Bay State Gas Company?"

"We did."

"Is your firm not a large holder of this stock?"



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Pleasantville and Mount Kisco. The Pawling express was run over the damaged track at 11:15 and this was the first through train of the morning. There were so many summer residents bound for the city that a crowd of women took possession of a smoking-car and occupied it all the way to New York. No one was injured in the wreck.

England Wins Cricket Match. LONDON, Aug. 13.—England's team won the international cricket match with the Australian team by one wicket.

CAYNOR AND GREENE FREE.

Judge Caron, of Quebec, Overrules Action of United States to Extradite Accused Men.

CHARGES NOT SPECIFIC.

Compares Cases with That of Eno and Finds Rights of Defendants Have Been Infringed.

QUEBEC, Aug. 13.—Judge Caron to-day rendered his decision in the case of John F. Gaynor and Benjamin Greene, wanted by the United States authorities for alleged complicity in the conspiracy by which Capt. Oberlin Carter cheated the Government in the contracts for the improvement of Savannah harbor.

Gaynor and Greene were discharged from custody. It is a big victory for them.

Much Legal Juggling.

Since they fled from New York City and established themselves at Montreal, there was a meeting of the board of directors of the road, and the action of the board was to be the final ultimatum of the company.

General Manager Skitt appeared before the board and urged that the men be allowed to declare a strike if they desired.

"I have plenty of men to keep trains running on the road even now," declared the General Manager.

It was at this critical stage of the meeting that Mr. Sage took a hand.

"I do not see any necessity for a change," he said. "The company and the men have always gotten along well enough before, and what is the use of making a change. The men have been working nine hours a day and why make them work ten, unless we give them extra pay?"

Rights of the Defendants.

The exact crime with which the prisoners are charged and the proceedings to be taken against them, Judge Caron declared, the defendants have a right to know.

In the Eno case the offense with which the prisoner was charged in the extradition proceedings and that made elsewhere did not agree. In the present case there was a distinct discrepancy between the charges upon which the various true bills against the prisoners were obtained in the United States.

This, as well as the absence of dates in the warrant, he held to be distinctly fatal to the latter, and he therefore upheld the prisoners' claims and their objections to the warrants, maintained the writ of habeas corpus and ordered the release of the prisoners.

SENT TO PRISON TO PROTECT FIANCEE.

Judge Sentences James Egan to Six Months in Penitentiary to Keep Him from Marrying Young Girl.

To prevent a young girl from marrying James Egan, twenty-five years old, of No. 22 West Twenty-sixth street, Judge Foster, in General Sessions, sentenced him to serve six months in the penitentiary.

Egan had been convicted of stealing \$2 from Peter Wilson, and his lawyer, Mr. Mitnick, made a strong plea for a suspension of sentence. He told Judge Foster that Egan had rich and influential friends, who would see that he was given employment, and also that he was engaged to be married and that the young woman was willing to have the wedding postponed. If Judge Foster would suspend sentence, Judge Foster interrupted the lawyer as soon as he began speaking of the marriage.

"If any young woman wants to marry Egan," he said, "I feel it my duty to protect her from herself. I have investigated Egan's case and find it to have been a very serious one. In order to suspend sentence, I have to believe that I will sentence him to six months in the penitentiary."

As the Judge passed sentence on Egan a handsome young woman who had been sitting in the courtroom, rose, began weeping hysterically and walked out. Lawyer Mitnick said it was the young woman who wanted to marry Egan.

RUSSELL SAGE BEAT SKITT IN FIGHT FOR THE "L" MEN.

Financier Insisted that Demands of the Engineers and Firemen Be Granted—George Gould Backed Him.

Russell Sage won the victory for the engineers and firemen of the "L" road. He appeared before the Board of Directors of the road as their champion, and as a result of his advocacy no strike was declared and the men received what they have been contending for, a nine-hour day.

That the aged financier should appear in their behalf was a great surprise to the men, but to-day Mr. Sage is a popular hero among them.

Mr. Sage has never posed before the public as one who was interested in bringing about a better understanding between capital and labor, but it is stated that frequently his voice and vote in directorate meetings have been on the side of the employees.

Strong-minded and determined, Mr. Sage, with the backing of George Gould, overruled the other directors and emphatically stated that there should be no strike.

Mr. Sage's Work.

Before the final conference between General Manager Skitt and the representatives of the dissatisfied engineers and firemen reporting for duty detained less than four hours to receive half a day's pay. If detained over four hours to receive a full day's pay.

All men to have fifteen minutes' rest at the northern terminals between trips.

No engineer to do duty as engineer and motorman on the same day.

Oldest men to have choice of runs and privilege of exchanging with other men for a period of ten days.

None of the men to be discharged for serving on Brotherhood committees.

Men suspended on charges and later exonerated are to have full pay during time of suspension.

WHAT THE ELEVATED RAILROAD MEN GAIN BY WINNING THEIR SHORT FIGHT.

Nine hours work a day instead of ten or eleven hours, at the same wages. All time over nine hours to be paid for.

Engineers assigned as motorman to be paid the same wages, \$3.50 a day.

Firemen to be retained in service of company as conductors when steam locomotives are superseded by electric motmen.

Firemen to be a preferred class for promotion to motmen, receiving \$3 a day for the first six months; \$3.25 the second six months, and \$3.50 after the first year.

For an extra round trip, half a day's extra pay. Engineers, motmen and firemen reporting for duty detained less than four hours to receive half a day's pay. If detained over four hours to receive a full day's pay.

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and its employees have gotten along nicely, and why should we have a strike at this late day?

When told that he was the popular idol of the engineers and firemen Mr. Sage said:

"It is nice to have the good opinion of your fellow men. I am glad I was able to do something for the men. I generally sympathize with them in their troubles. Except that no definite time was incorporated in the agreement signed by the engineers, firemen and the representatives of the company, the men secured every concession for which they contended. But with President George Gould and Mr. Sage behind them the men feel that this does not make a material difference. Some of the men are disposed to regard the absence of the time clause for which the agreement is to be operative as an oversight on the part of the officials of the Brotherhood. Under the present schedule it is impossible to run more than eighty-five miles in a nine-hour day. This run makes five round trips. Under the present agreement they will receive extra pay for all time worked over nine hours."

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Unmatchable Furniture Prices. The August Sale Grows in Interest. Better Values, Bigger Crowds, and More Enthusiasm than Ever Before.

75.00 PARLOR SUITS, \$14.50. This 3-Piece Mahogany Parlor Suit, highly polished and handsomely carved, full spring seats, covered in your choice of silk damask; positively worth \$25.00; sale price, 14.50.

100 Oak Sideboards (like cut), French mirror, handsomely carved top and base, lined silver drawer, cast brass handles; value \$22.50; sale price, 14.50.

500 Solid Oak or Mahogany finished tables, 24 inches square, with under shelf, heavy turned legs, well constructed; worth \$2.00; sale price, 98c.

18.00 COUCH AT \$10.00. All-Hair Couch, highly polished golden oak frame, best tempered steel springs; 50 different patterns and colors of French and Belgian velours. We guarantee construction. Value \$18.00; special at 10.00.

White Enamel Beds (like cut), strong and serviceable; value \$3.00; all sizes, sale price, 1.75.

This Iron Folding Couch Bed, including reversible mattress and bolster, covered in figured denim like cut; value \$16.00; sale price, 9.75.

40-lb. Improved South American Hair Mattress, made to order, in one or two parts, covered in satin ticking, positively worth \$18.00; sale price, in all sizes, 10.00.

45-lb. Soft Gray Hair Mattresses, covered in the finest quality of satin and A. C. A. ticking; this mattress was never before offered for less than \$12.75; our special price for this sale, in all sizes, 7.50.

Linoleum. Geulre Cork Linoleum, two yards wide, in all colors to cover most any room, value 55c. per square yard, at 29c.

XX Extra Quality Linoleum, splendid selection, value 70c. per square yard, at 39c.

Smith's Axminsters at 75c. Four good patterns, with borders to match, actually worth \$1.25 per yard. New, attractive goods. An extraordinary opportunity.

VETERAN SET FREE BY COURT.

Justice Steckler Releases Francis Irsch, in Tombs for Non-Payment of Alimony.

Justice Steckler, in the Supreme Court, to-day granted an application for the release of Francis Irsch, a veteran of the civil war. Irsch was one of those who escaped from Liberty Prison by cutting an underground tunnel to freedom. The old man has been in Ludlow Street Jail since July 14 last. He was arrested on the application of his wife, Mary Irsch, for disregarding an order of the Court, made several years ago, directing him to pay her \$15 a week alimony pending the determination of a suit brought for a separation. The suit has never been tried, and the amount of arrears of alimony due Mrs. Irsch aggregated \$3,779. Irsch had a counter-suit for an absolute divorce against his wife, but it was dropped.

Mrs. Irsch said her husband, who is a commercial broker, was in good circumstances and well able to pay her the alimony awarded her by the court.

Irsch, in asking that the order for his arrest be vacated, stated that he had not made enough money to pay the expenses of running his business and maintaining himself and his daughter, who is dependent upon him, since March, 1901. He further claimed that his health had been impaired and that continued confinement would kill him.

Gen. Wagner made an affidavit in Irsch's behalf. They were comrades in the civil war. Gen. Wagner said the man had escaped from Liberty Prison. Justice Steckler, in making the order for Irsch's discharge, said it was evident from the proofs that he was unable to endure further imprisonment.

HURT IN SAVING 2 LITTLE GIRLS.

Truckman Is Thrown Under Wheels in Preventing Injury to Children on Bicycles.

ouis Sachrey succeeded in saving the lives of two little girls only to be thrown himself under the wheels of his truck and fatally injured. He owns the truck which he was driving today through Fifth avenue. It was drawn by two powerful horses. Approaching One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street, on Fifth avenue, Sachrey saw two little girls on bicycles suddenly wheel from One Hundred and Twenty-seventh street into Fifth avenue. One was playfully chasing the other. The children were so absorbed in the fun that they did not see the lumbering truck. Sachrey with a mighty effort, turned the heads of his team toward the sidewalk, upon which the animals rushed.

Sachrey's prompt action saved the children from colliding with the team, but when the front wheels of his wagon struck the curb he was thrown from his seat, landing in front of the forward wheels. Their progress was not checked by the curb and one of the wheels caught under the miniature legs of the driver. He was unconscious when taken to the Harlem Hospital. The surgeons found he was hurt internally. Sachrey lived with his wife and family at No. 247 East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street.

Quick service through Sunday World Wants. If you've got it summer, don't use World Wants. It is a hurry, do.

SAVES EXPRESS IN NICK OF TIME.

Brakeman Runs Ahead of Wrecked Wrecking Train and Flags Pawling Engine.

(Special to The Evening World.) WHITE PLAINS, Aug. 13.—A Hudson River Railroad wrecking train made up of a 2-ton steam crane, a flat car and caboose, jumped the single track on the Harlem Railroad between Golden's Bridge and Katonah at 8:20 o'clock this morning, and the Pawling express was saved from crashing into the wreck by the quick action of a brakeman who ran ahead and flagged the express just in time. The trains were stopped 100 yards apart.

The wrecking train was on its way to South Dover, where the North Adams express with 250 passengers on board, ran into a washout on Monday morning. The wrecker left Katonah at 8:30 and was running at the rate of thirty miles an hour when the crane left the track and, pulling the caboose with it, cut the ties in the middle of the track into kindling wood for a distance of half a mile.

Luckily the track did not turn over, and after hard work they were pulled back on the rails. In the meantime the Pawling express was speeding toward the same spot and was stopped in the nick of time, thereby possibly averting another Park avenue tunnel horror. The wreck caused great inconvenience to hundreds of commuters at Golden's Bridge, Mahopac, Katonah, Chappaqua,

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LADIES' FOULARD SILK SHIRT WAIST SUITS (reduced from \$15.00 and \$18.00).... \$10.00

Separate Walking Skirts.

WALKING SKIRTS, of fancy Tweed materials, new styles— \$4.90, \$5.90, \$7.50

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